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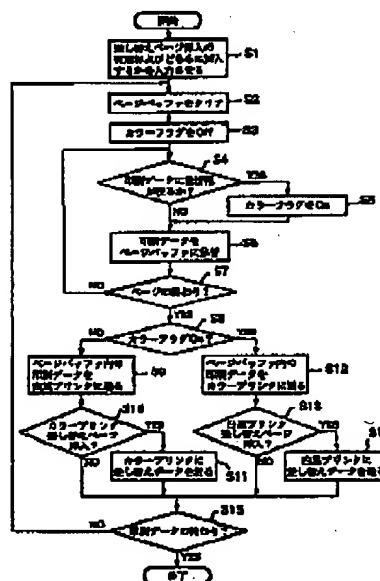
(54) DEVICE AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING PRINTING

(57) Abstract

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To reduce the burdens of an operator in charge of a printing processing by automatically selecting an optimum printer matched with the characteristics of the page by a page unit and making printing be performed.

SOLUTION: Whether or not color information is present in it is judged by the page unit in the data of a printing object (S4), and when it is present, a color flag is turned on. In the case that the color flag is on, printing data prepared and developed in a page buffer are sent out to a color printer (S10). Also, in the case that the color flag is off, the printing data prepared and developed in the page buffer are sent out to the printer for black and white (S12).

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